



Appl. No. : 10/613,035  
Applicant : Brett THOMAS et al.  
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Examiner : To be assigned

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Customer No : **6449**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Alexandria VA 22313-1450

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir:

Please enter the following amendments before examination of the merits.

Material inserted is indicated by underlining and material deleted is indicated by ~~strikeout~~.

1. Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.
2. Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 5 of this paper.
3. Remarks begin on page 20 of this paper.

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02 FC:2202 72.00 OP



**FEE TRANSMITTAL**  
**for FY 2004**  
**(Small Entity)**

<b>FEE TRANSMITTAL</b> <b>for FY 2004</b> <b>(Small Entity)</b>		<i>Complete if Known</i>	
		Application Number	10/613,035
		Filing Date	July 7, 2003
		First Named Inventor	Brett THOMAS et al.
		Examiner Name	To be assigned
		Group Art Unit	3753
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**METHOD OF PAYMENT** (check one)

1. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge additional fees and credit any overpayment to Deposit Account Number 02-2135 in the name of Rothwell, Figg, Ernst & Manbeck
- ☒ Charge any Additional Fee Required Under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17
- ☒ Applicant claims small entity status.
2. ☒ Payment Enclosed:  
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**FEE CALCULATION**

**1. FILING FEE**

Fee Code	Fee \$	Fee Description	Fee Paid
2001	385	Utility filing fee	[ ]
2002	170	Design Filing Fee	[ ]
2003	265	Plant Filing Fee	[ ]
2004	385	Reissue Filing Fee	[ ]
2005	80	Provisional Filing Fee	[ ]

**SUBTOTAL \$**

**2. CLAIMS**

Total Claims Independent	Extra Claims	Fee	Fee Paid
[68 ] - 60** = [8 ] x		\$ 9 =	[72.00]
Claims [6 ] - 3** = [3 ] x		43 =	[129.00]
Multiple Dependent Claims +		145 =	[ ]

\*\*or number previously paid, if greater;

**SUBTOTAL \$201.00**

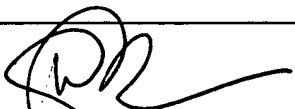
**FEE CALCULATION** (continued)

**3. ADDITIONAL FEES**

Fee Code	Fee Paid	Fee Description	Fee Paid
2051	65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	[ ]
2052	25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	[ ]
1053	130	Non-English specification	[ ]
1812	2,520	For filing a request for reexamination	[ ]
1804	920	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	[ ]
1805	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	[ ]
2251	55	Extension for reply within first month	[ ]
2252	210	Extension for reply within second month	[ ]
2253	475	Extension for reply within third month	[ ]
2254	740	Extension for reply within fourth month	[ ]
2255	1,005	Extension for reply within fifth month	[ ]
2401	165	Notice of Appeal	[ ]
2402	165	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	[ ]
2403	145	Request for Oral Hearing	[ ]
1451	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	[ ]
2452	55	Petition to revive -unavoidable	[ ]
2453	475	Petition to revive - unintentional	[ ]
2501	665	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	[ ]
2502	240	Design issue fee	[ ]
2503	320	Plant issue fee	[ ]
1460	130	Petitions to the Commissioner	[ ]
1807	50	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)	[ ]
1806	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Statement	[ ]
8021	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	[ ]
2809	385	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a))	[ ]
2810	385	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b))	[ ]
2801	385	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	[ ]
1802	900	Request for expedited examination of a design application	[ ]
1504	300	Publication fee for early, voluntary, or normal publication	[ ]
1505	300	Publication fee for republication	[ ]
1455	200	Filing an application for patent term adjustment	[ ]
1456	400	Request for reinstatement of term reduced	[ ]
Other fee (specify)			[ ]

\* Reduced by Basic Filing Fee Paid

**SUBTOTAL \$**

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